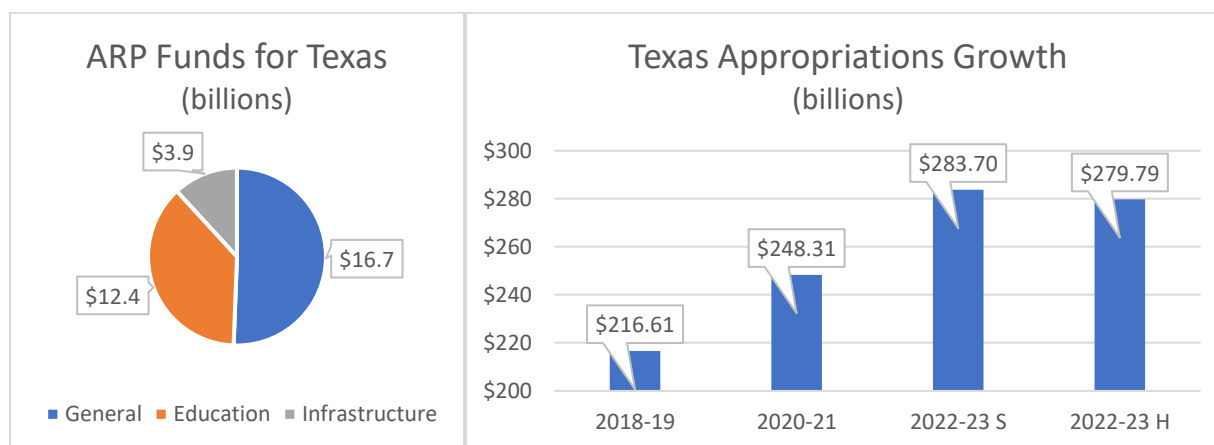


CSSB 1: Big Spending in the House and Senate Budgets

Both the Senate and House budget look conservative—coming in below current spending, until you dig into the details. Neither budget as written is capable of funding Texas spending over the next two years. Here is the Texas budget as proposed by the House in CSSB 1:

FUNDING BY ARTICLE, ALL FUNDS			
(IN MILLIONS)	ESTIMATED/BUDGETED	HCSSB1	BIENNIAL
ALL FUNCTIONS	2020-21	2022-23	CHANGE
Article I – General Government	\$7,918.0	\$6,935.9	(\$982.1)
Article II – Health and Human Services	\$95,695.6	\$87,220.2	(\$8,475.4)
Article III – Agencies of Education	\$95,308.1	\$94,030.7	(\$1,277.4)
<i>Public Education</i>	\$69,278.2	\$71,513.1	\$2,235.0
<i>Higher Education</i>	\$26,029.9	\$22,517.5	(\$3,512.4)
Article IV – Judiciary	\$986.5	\$926.3	(\$60.2)
Article V – Public Safety and Criminal Justice	\$13,172.7	\$12,730.1	(\$442.6)
Article VI – Natural Resources	\$10,954.9	\$7,533.3	(\$3,421.6)
Article VII – Business and Economic Development	\$39,647.7	\$36,310.8	(\$3,336.9)
Article VIII – Regulatory	\$712.8	\$680.9	(\$31.8)
Article IX – General Provisions	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Article X – Legislature	\$408.2	\$410.4	\$2.2
Total, All Articles	\$264,804.4	\$246,778.6	(\$18,025.9)

All that red ink means Texas is going to need more money. And it will get it from the federal government. Texas will receive up to \$32 billion from Biden’s American Rescue Plan (ARP). Taking that into account shows that the Texas Legislature is greatly increasing spending and growing government:



Biennial appropriations growth in SB 1 (Senate & House versions) after federal ARP funds are included:

Appropriations Bill	SB 1 (2017)	HB 1 (2019)	S CSSB 1 (2021)	H CSSB 1 (2021)
Biennium	2018-19	2020-21	2022-23	2022-23
State Funds	\$144,753,606,187	\$161,860,065,431	\$164,039,000,000	\$163,465,300,000
Federal Funds	\$71,854,658,298	\$86,453,768,639	\$119,664,374,000*	\$116,313,200,000*
Total Budget	\$216,608,264,485	\$248,313,834,070	\$283,703,374,000	\$279,778,500,000
% Increase State		11.82%	1.35%	0.99%
% Increase Federal		20.32%	38.41%	34.54%
% Increase All		14.64%	14.25%	12.67%

A Four-Year Spending Spree: appropriations will increase at least \$31.5 billion from 2019 and \$63.2 billion from 2017